

— Capsule Summary
SM-575
Hickory Hills
Tintop Hill Vicinity
Private

c. 1900

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St. Mary's County

Maryland Comprehensive State Historic Preservation Plan Data

Historic Context

Geographic Organization:

Western Shore

Chronological/Developmental Period:

Industrial/Urban Dominance, 1870-1930

Historic Period Theme:

Architecture

Resource Type

Category:

Structure

Historic Environment:

Rural

Historic Function and Use:

Dwelling

Known Design Source:

None

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Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. SM-575

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Hickory Hills (pref.)

and/or common Goldsborough/ McCully House

2. Location

street & number SW corner of Cedar Lane and St. Johns Road ☐ not for publication

city, town Tintop Hill ☒ vicinity of congressional district 3

state Maryland county St. Mary's TM33, P67

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Lewis C. and Mary H. Bowles

street & number 1063 Clarks Mill Road telephone no.: 301-373-5218

city, town Hollywood state and zip code Md 20636

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. St. Mary's County Courthouse liber MRB 146

street & number folio 249

city, town Leonardtown state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

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Condition		Check one	Check one
<input type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved date of move _____
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed		

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

Contributing Resource Count: 1

Hickory Hills, constructed c. 1900, is located just southwest of the intersection of St. Johns Road and Cedar Lane in the vicinity of Leonardtown, Maryland. Approached via St. John's Road on a 0.1 mile dirt track, the house is oriented on an east/west axis. The dwelling is situated on a rolling 44 acre tract and is surrounded by agricultural fields. The property also features a noncontributing chicken house or shed and a twentieth century gambrel roof tobacco barn located to the southwest of the house. The house is currently vacant and deteriorating.

Hickory Hills is a two story, three bay, L-plan dwelling with a circular concrete pier foundation, braced balloon frame, and a gable roof. The entire building, constructed during one building period, is sheathed with clapboard fastened to circular sawn framing members with fully formed cut nails. The roof, covered with asphalt shingles, is pierced by only one, corbeled, interior end chimney--two other chimney flues have been removed.

The primary or east elevation features a three bay facade. The symmetrical fenestration consists of a centrally located four panel door (now removed) with a single pane transom and two, two-over-two, double-hung sash windows--one located on each side of the door. The second floor bays are aligned with those on the first floor. These bays consist of three, two-over-two windows.

The south elevation features four bays on the first and second floors. The first floor bays consist of three, two-over-two windows and a single four panel door to the rear section of the dwelling. The second floor fenestration, four, two-over-two windows, are aligned with the first floor bays.

The west elevation features one two-over-two window on the first and second floor of the rear section's gable end. The front section's west elevation is blind.

The north elevation consists of a two-over-two window on the first and second floor of the rear section and two, two-over-two windows on the first and second floor of the front section's gable end.

The interior plan can be divided into a front and rear section. The front section consists of a single-pile, center passage plan. The passage extends the full width of the front section and permits entry to an enclosed stair to the second floor. The passage terminates at a door to the rear section. Just beyond this door the floor descends two steps into the one room rear section that may have originally been the kitchen. The stair to the second floor leads to a passage above that permits entry to the one room above the kitchen. The passage then wraps around the stair to another hall located directly above the passage of the first floor. A bedroom is located on either side of the this hall. While the entire interior was originally plastered using circular sawn lathe, there was little decoration. Window and door surrounds are composed of plain fascia trim. There were also no mantles as heat was supplied to every major room in the house by a series of stove flues.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☒ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Erected in the c. 1900s during the ownership of Mary Goldsborough, "Hickory Hills" represents a significant two-story, L-plan, balloon frame dwelling with a gable roof. The building is situated on a 44 acre tract just west of the corner of St. Johns Road and Cedar Lane in the Tintop Hill vicinity of St. Mary's County, Maryland.

In 1876 and 1878 Mary Goldsborough purchased and combined two tracts of land called "Hard Fortune" and "Lot No. 1 of Vanhoffles" respectively. Together, these properties totalled approximately 70 acres and were called "Hickory Hills." Soon after these transactions probably in the 1890s, Ms. Goldsborough erected a two story, L-plan, balloon frame dwelling with a gable roof. The building, resting on a poured concrete pier foundation, was framed using circular sawn lumber. The clapboard was fastened using machine-cut nails and the interior was entirely plastered. The interior featured a single-pile, center-passage plan with a two story rear kitchen ell. All of these qualities typify late-nineteenth century building methods and materials as well as the domestic sensibilities of a moderately wealthy farming family.

Mary Goldsborough's heirs, that included C. Adrian Goldsborough, J. Wallace Goldsborough, C. Paul Goldsborough, M. Mary Shields and her husband Daniel B. Shields, sold their interests in the property for \$275 to Charles M. and Elizabeth C. Goldsborough in 1903. The Goldsboroughs sold the property to Margaret Driver in 1905. Margaret Driver's heirs sold the property again in 1912 to George Y. and Edith R. McCully who owned the property until 1923. In 1997 the building was vacant and vandalized but because it has not been significantly renovated, it retains much of its original architectural fabric.

9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 44.3 acresQuadrangle name Hollywood, MdQuadrangle scale 1:24 000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Same as per deed description.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Kirk E. Ranzetta, Historic Sites Surveyororganization St. Mary's County Courthousedate April, 1997street & number 22740 Washington Streettelephone 301-475-4662city or town Leonardtownstate Maryland

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

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SM-575, Hickory Hills
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8.1 Significance

Chain-of-Title

(All deeds are located at the Land Records Office, St. Mary's Courthouse, Leonardtown, Maryland unless otherwise noted.)

Deed Reference: Liber MRB 146, Folio 249

Grantee: Lewis C. and Mary Helen Bowles

Grantor: David F. Jenny, J. Ernest Bell, II, and Pere J. Jarboe

Date: June 7, 1983

Notes: As the result of a circuit court case between Mary M. Dornall and Sarah Anne Russell, et al the property is sold. The property is called "Hard Fortune", "Van Hoffles", and "Hickory Hill." The deed also notes that the property was surveyed by James Dunlop on May 1983.

Deed Reference: Liber JMM 1, Folio 463

Grantee: William J. Abell

Grantor: George Y. and Edith R. McCully

Date: July 9, 1923

Notes: The deed describes the property as "Hard Fortune" containing 65 acres, and Lot No. 1 Vanhoffles containing 5 acres less a small tract deducted by Benjamin Combs County Treasurer. The entire property, however, is referred to as "Hickory Hill."

Deed Reference: Liber EBA 10, Folio 185

Grantee: George Y. and Edith R. McCully

Grantor: Helen M. Heald of Baltimore, heir of Margaret M. Driver

Date: May 10, 1912

Deed Reference: Liber EBA 4, Folio 361

Grantee: Margaret M. Driver

Grantor: Charles M. and Elizabeth C. Goldsborough

Date: June 6, 1905

Notes: The deed notes that the property "is now generally called Hickory Hills." Charles and Elizabeth had obtained a number of interests in the property from various individuals--a 1/6 interest from Daisy Goldsborough (Liber EBA 5, Folio 8), a 1/6 inherited interest from Charles' mother Mary P. Goldsborough, and a 4/6 interest in the property from C. Adrian Goldsborough, et al (Liber EBA 3, Folio 115).

Deed Reference: Liber EBA 3, Folio 115

Grantee: Charles M. and Elizabeth C. Goldsborough

Grantor: C. Adrian Goldsborough, J. Wallace Goldsborough, C. Paul Goldsborough, M. Maud Shields and Daniel B. Shields, heirs of Mary P. Goldsborough

Date: February 7, 1903.

Notes: Purchased for \$275, the Charles and Elizabeth combine the two parcels called Hard Bargain, containing 60 acres and Lot No 1 of Vanhoffles containing 4 3/5 acres. Mary P. Goldsborough had died seized and possessed. Here her children sell their remaining interests in the property to Charles and Elizabeth Goldsborough.

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8.2 Significance

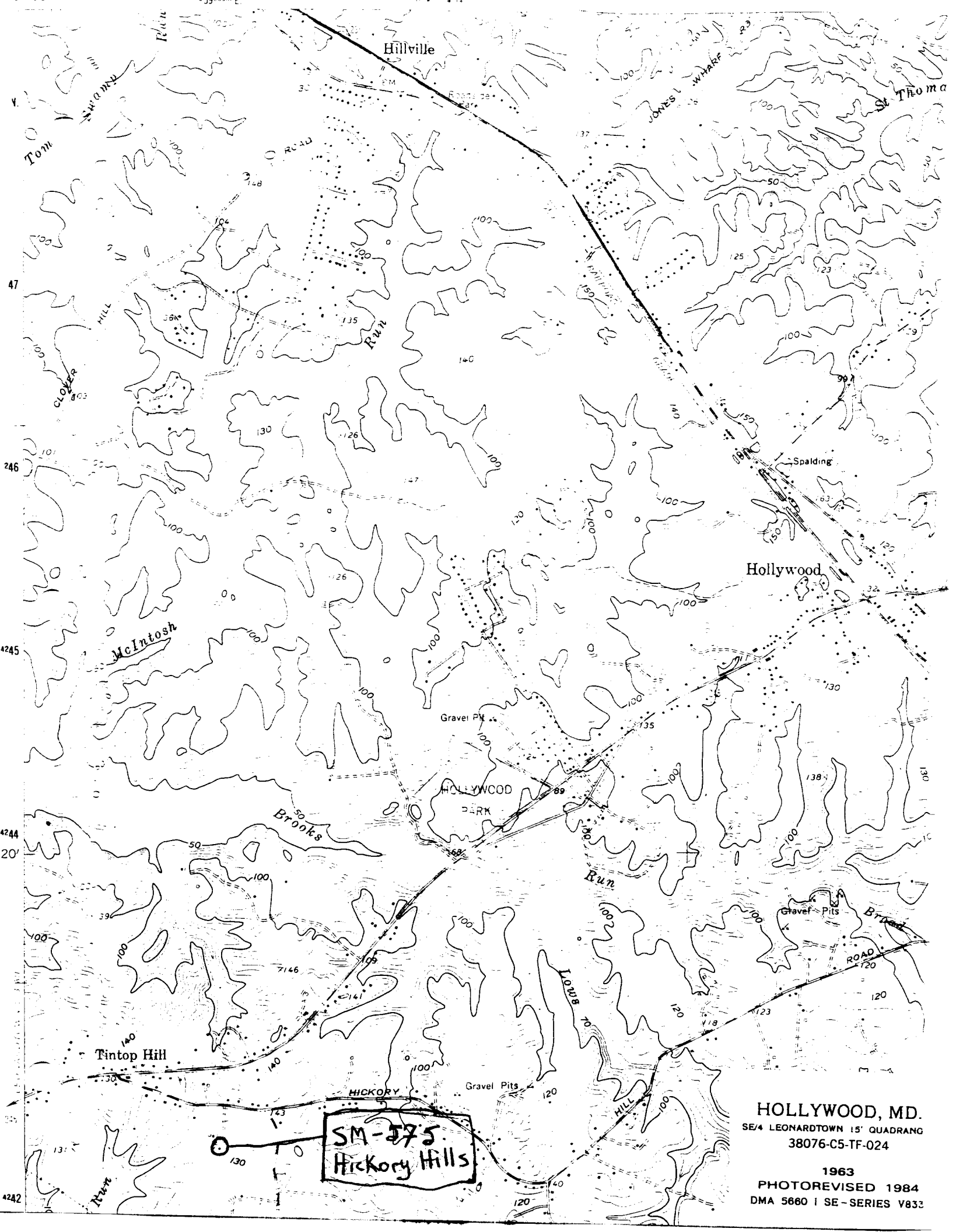
Parcel #1, "Hard Bargain"

Deed Reference: Liber JFF 2, Folio 267
Grantee: Mary Goldsborough
Grantor: Thomas H. and Ignatius A. Jarboe
Date: November 17, 1876
Notes: Here Hard Bargain contains 60 acres.

Deed Reference: Liber JTB 2, Folio 304-305
Grantee: Thomas H. and Ignatius A. Jarboe
Grantor: James and Mary C. Gilmore
Date: May 16, 1856
Notes: The deed notes that Samuel Winseth died seized and possessed and that the property was sold to the Jarboes for \$400. The property is referred to primarily as "Hard Times" and "Hickory Hills."

Parcel #2, Lot #1 of Vanhoffles

— Deed Reference: Liber JFF 3, Folio 235
Grantee: Mary Goldsborough
Grantor: A. Jack Spalding
Date: November 23, 1878
Notes: The deed describes the property as located at the SW fork of the public road leading from Leonardtown to St. John's Church and the road leading to B. G. Harris's old Blacksmith's Shop and containing 4 3/5 acres.



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S + W elevation

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